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**RUTHLESS CONQUERORS
ARE ON THE MARCH!**

**CAN THE BLACKHAWKS
CHALLENGE THE SINISTER**

MEN FROM THE FUTURE?





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The Man Called Death

THE man was gray like the night and could slip unseen among the shadows! And his only objective in life was DEATH!

There were three people against whom Will Bender sought revenge! The first was Blackie Ford, a man he had known and trusted and even befriended! But Blackie had once worked with the underworld and the criminal instinct was in his blood! He pulled a robbery, then shot to make his getaway, and his victim had died in the hospital later! But Blackie was too smart to take the rap! He had planted the stolen goods in Will's apartment along with the murder weapon and had then testified against him in court!

"The lowest form of scoundrel," Bender said bitterly to himself! "He deserves the worst and I'll see that he gets it!"

The second man was Mike Gaines! Mike and Will had loved the same girl! By pretending to be a witness to the crime, Mike had helped convince the jury of Will's guilt! And had walked off with the girl!

"But not for long," smiled Bender! "She finally saw what he was and married somebody else! Good thing for her, but I still have that score to settle!"

The third was Neil Rice, his attorney! The man had defended him half-heartedly and then, assigned to look after Will's property while he was away, had stolen him blind and made it look legitimate! So now Bender was almost broke!

"What chance has a man in prison to look after his property?" he scoffed! "But Rice won't take it with him where he's going!"

Will Bender had served twenty years, paying for a crime he had not committed! They had been long, hard years and his hatred had mounted high! Not for the enforcers of the law because he had always been a law-abiding man! But hatred of the three who had turned against him and given testimony so convincing that he could not have expected any other verdict than guilty!

Will sat in a small cottage which was all he had left of his former fortune! He wrote three letters, all alike, in a strange and scrawling hand! They read: I am coming to claim you soon and you will pay for your sins. I am DEATH!

He mailed the three letters to the three men then sat back to let them worry a while!

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Blackie Ford fumbled the note in his hands and his face turned pale! He had just worked

with a gang in a big holdup and murder! To him, the words were the finger of doom, especially since he was sure that the law was closing in and would soon take him along with the others!

"If I give myself up," he thought, "they may go easy with me! I'll do it!"

Bender smiled as he read an account in the newspaper of Blackie Ford's confession! One was out of the way without any effort! Mike Gaines would be next!

Bender put on a huge gray cloak with a hood which he pulled low over his head. On his face he smeared gray grease paint, leaving large white hollows around his eyes! He was thin and his fingers were bony but he accentuated that by adding long, false fingernails! He eyed himself in the mirror! If ever a living creature personified DEATH, he did!

He stood in the dusky shadows, waiting for Mike to enter his apartment building! As he saw him coming down the street, he spoke in a low voice! "Mike, come here!" he said.

"Somebody calling me?" asked Mike walking in the direction of the voice!

Then he stopped, staring! The dreadful figure of DEATH was before him! His hand clutched his heart and he fell to the ground!

It was a little different with Neil Rice! Will found a window of the attorney's house open, the beautiful house that had once belonged to him! He knew every inch of it and had no trouble in hiding himself until Rice decided to go to bed! The clock struck midnight and as Rice moved into the large dark hallway, Bender slipped stealthily toward him so that the reflected light made him look even more grotesque! He spoke in a low voice, as before!

"I told you I would come to claim you," he said! Rice trembled, then looked terrified! He ran wildly up the stairs! Bender heard a door slam and then a shot ring out! Bender hurried away!

The radio that night told of Rice's untimely death! Suicide! Gaines had died a few days before of a heart attack! And Blackie Ford had been convicted and sentenced to die!

The man who called himself DEATH sat staring into the gloom! His revenge was complete and yet he had acted entirely within the law! He had killed no one! They had all come to justice through the condemnation of their own consciences! Will Bender sat staring, hoping that now he could live again!

BLACKHAWK

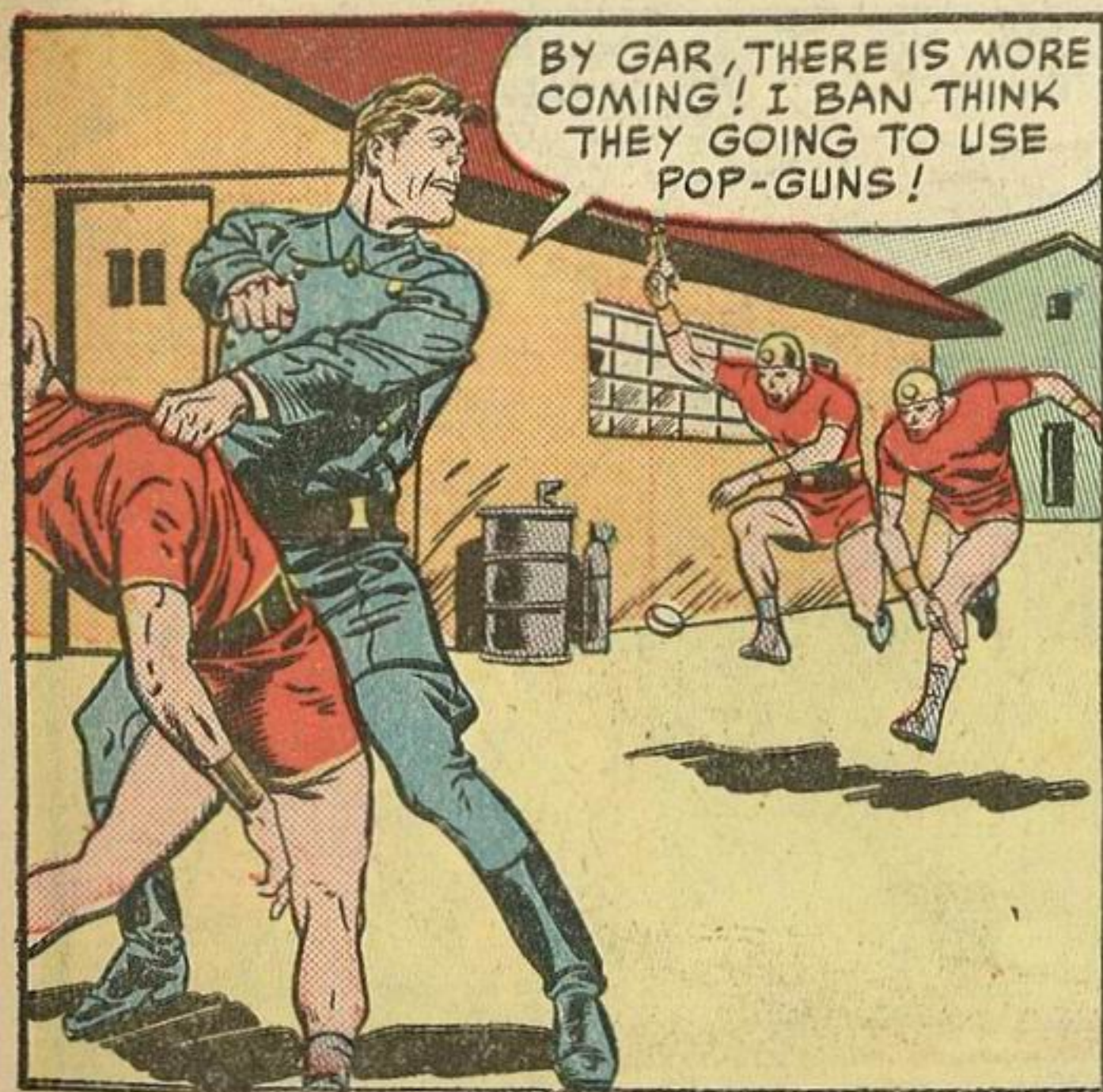
FROM A FUTURE TIME THEY CAME, RUTHLESS CONQUERORS WHO BRUSHED ASIDE THE PITIFUL WEAPONS OF THE COUNTRY'S DEFENDERS! AGAINST THEIR FANTASTIC ARSENAL NO ARMY COULD STAND, NO PEOPLE COULD SAVE THEMSELVES FROM SUBJECTION AND SLAVERY! BUT THE MIGHTY **BLACK-HAWKS**, DARK KNIGHTS OF THE SKY LANES, FLY FORTH TO CHALLENGE THE SINISTER POWERS OF THE
MEN from the FUTURE!





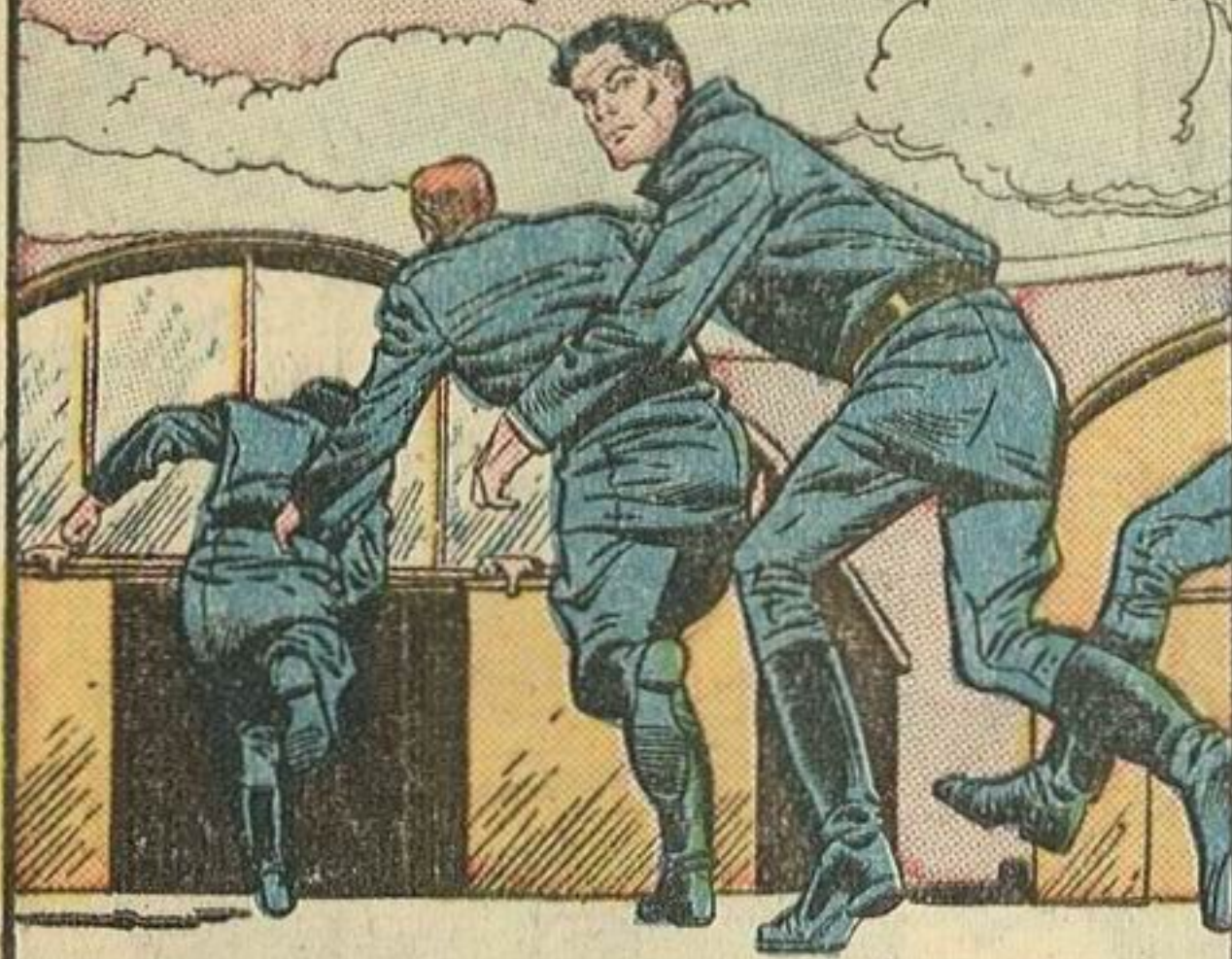




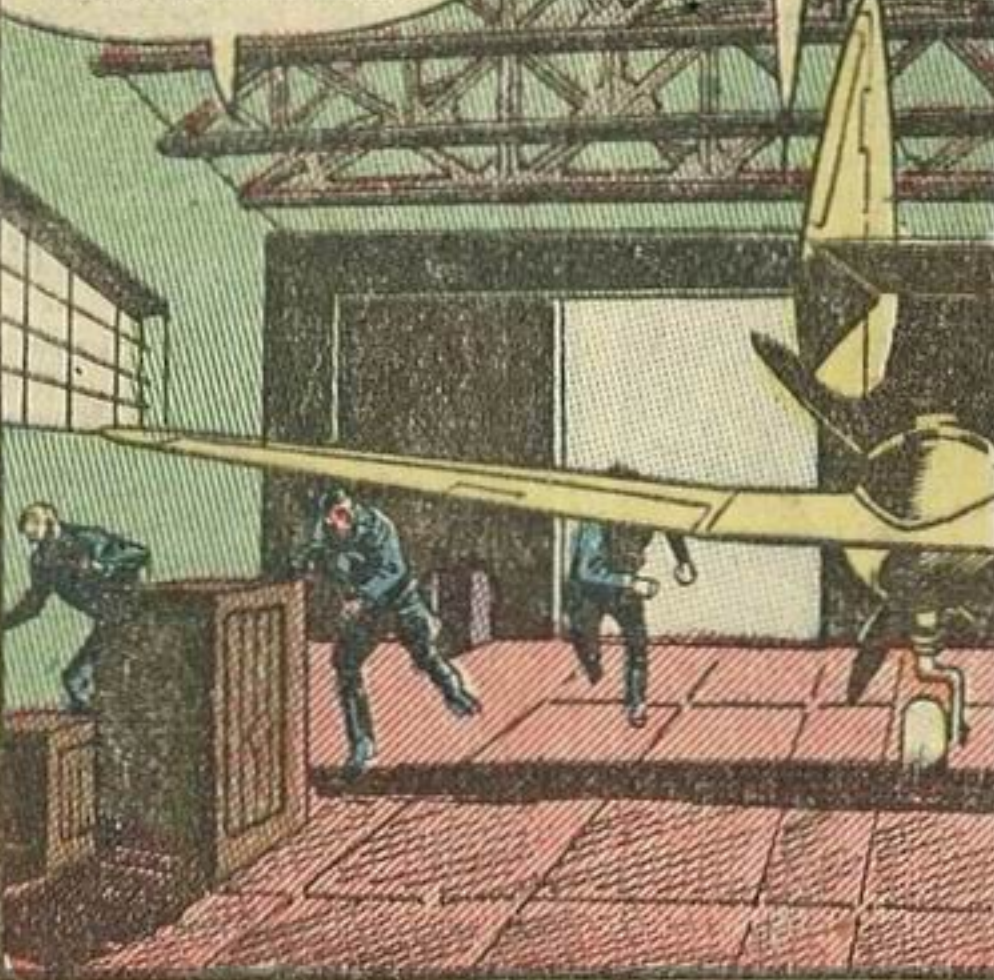


BLACKHAWK

BUT THERE'S NO SENSE PRESSING OUR LUCK! THOSE WEAPONS THEY CARRY ARE DANGEROUS!
TAKE COVER!



THEY CAN'T SEE US IN HERE! BUT WE **CAN** SEE THEM IF THEY TRY TO GET INTO THE HANGAR!



PARBLEU! NEVAIR HAVE WE FOUGHT ENEMIES LIKE THESE!

FOR ZE FIRST TIME, BLACKHAWK, I FEEL LIKE THEES GUN EES A TOY! DID YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENED TO ZAT POOR FELLOW WHO GOT IN ZE WAY OF ONE OF THEIR RAY GUNS?

I SAW IT, ANDRE!



MAYBE THEY'RE BETTER ARMED! BUT THESE GUNS CAN STILL BE MIGHTY DANGEROUS TOYS!

EEEEEE!



FOOLS! WHY ARE YOU TAKING SO LONG TO SUBDUDE THESE REBELS? YOU WILL CAUSE THE POPULACE TO DOUBT OUR POWERS!

WE CANNOT HELP IT, RHOD! THEY ARE NOT ORDINARY MEN!



THEY FIGHT LIKE WILD BEASTS! NOW THEY HAVE GONE INTO HIDING... WHERE IT IS CERTAIN DEATH TO PURSUE THEM!

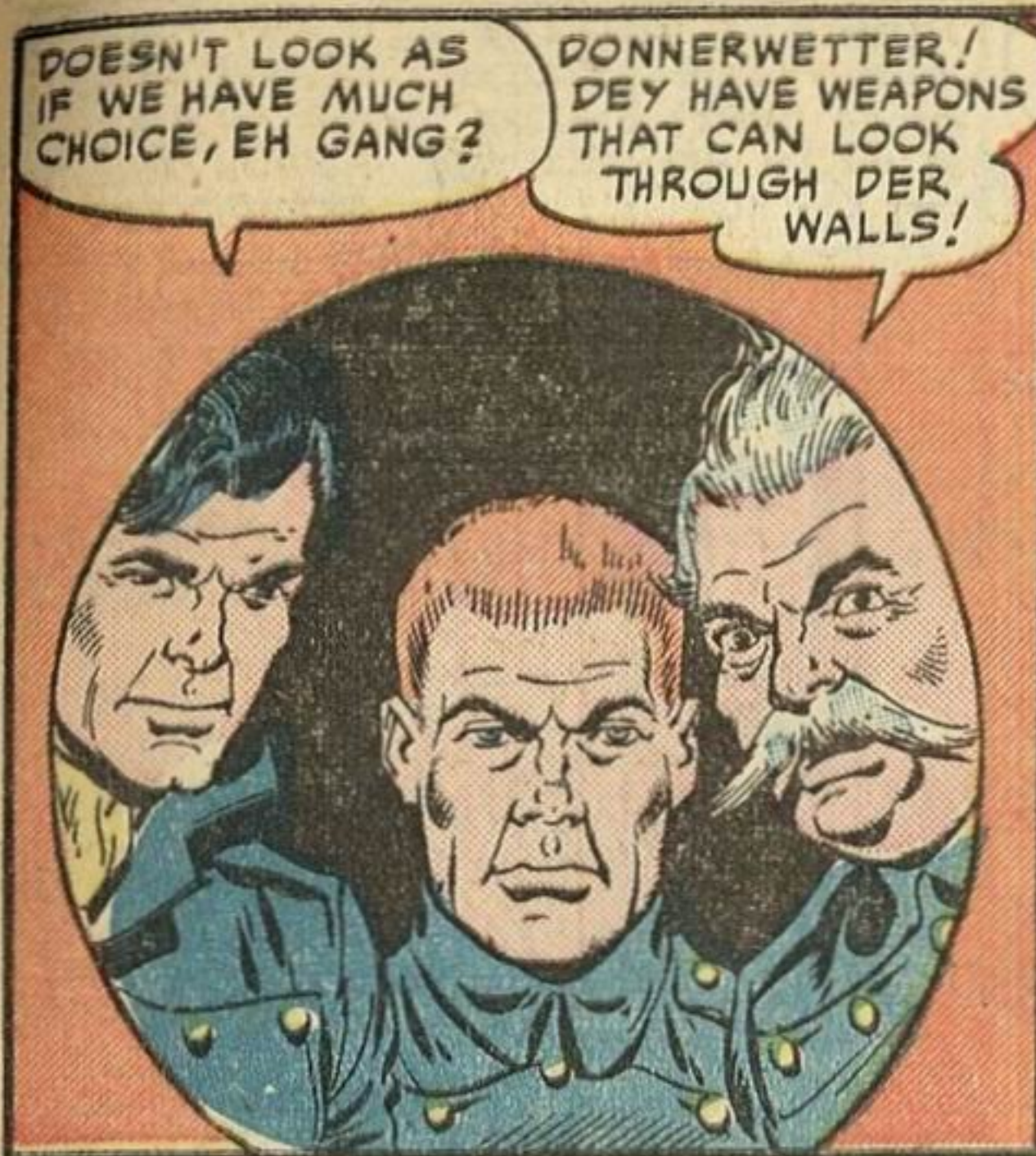
USE THE TRANSPARENCY RAY, IDIOT! THAT WILL REVEAL THEM!

As THE TRANSPARENCY RAY GUNS ARE FOCUSED ON THE CONCEALING HANGAR WALL...

NOM 'DE NOM! WE ARE DISCOVERED!

TAKE YOUR CHOICE, BLACKHAWKS! SURRENDER... OR DIE!







NOT BAD!
BUT WHAT'S
THE ALTERNATIVE?

DEATH! YOU
MAY RULE
WITH ME AS
MY CONSORT,
OR PERISH
WITH YOUR
COMRADES!



ALL THINGS
CONSIDERED...
AND MEANING
NO OFFENSE
TO YOU...
I'LL CHOOSE
DEATH!

YOU...YOU IN-
SUFFERABLE
BOOR! YOU
SHALL
REGRET THIS
DECISION,
BLACKHAWK...
MOST PAINFULLY!



YOUR EXECUTION WILL
TAKE PLACE...TODAY!
AND I SHALL ENJOY
IT FROM A PLACE
OF HONOR!

THANKS,
ANYWAY! YOU
MADE AN
AWFULLY
GOOD TRY!



AS SOON AS RHODL DEPARTS,
BLACKHAWK TAKES OUT HIS TINY
BELT RADIO...

CALLING CHOP CHOP!
LISTEN, I'VE JUST FOUND OUT
SOMETHING **VERY** INTERESTING!
WE'RE NOT LICKED YET...BY A
LONG SHOT! JUST DO EXACTLY
AS I TELL YOU!



IN THE TOWN SQUARE...

THIS IS THE FINISH! I'D
ALWAYS HOPED WE'D
CHECK OUT FIGHTING!
NOT LIKE THIS...

TOO BAD ABOUT THAT!
BUT I COULDN'T HOPE
TO DIE WITH A BETTER
BUNCH OF FELLOWS!



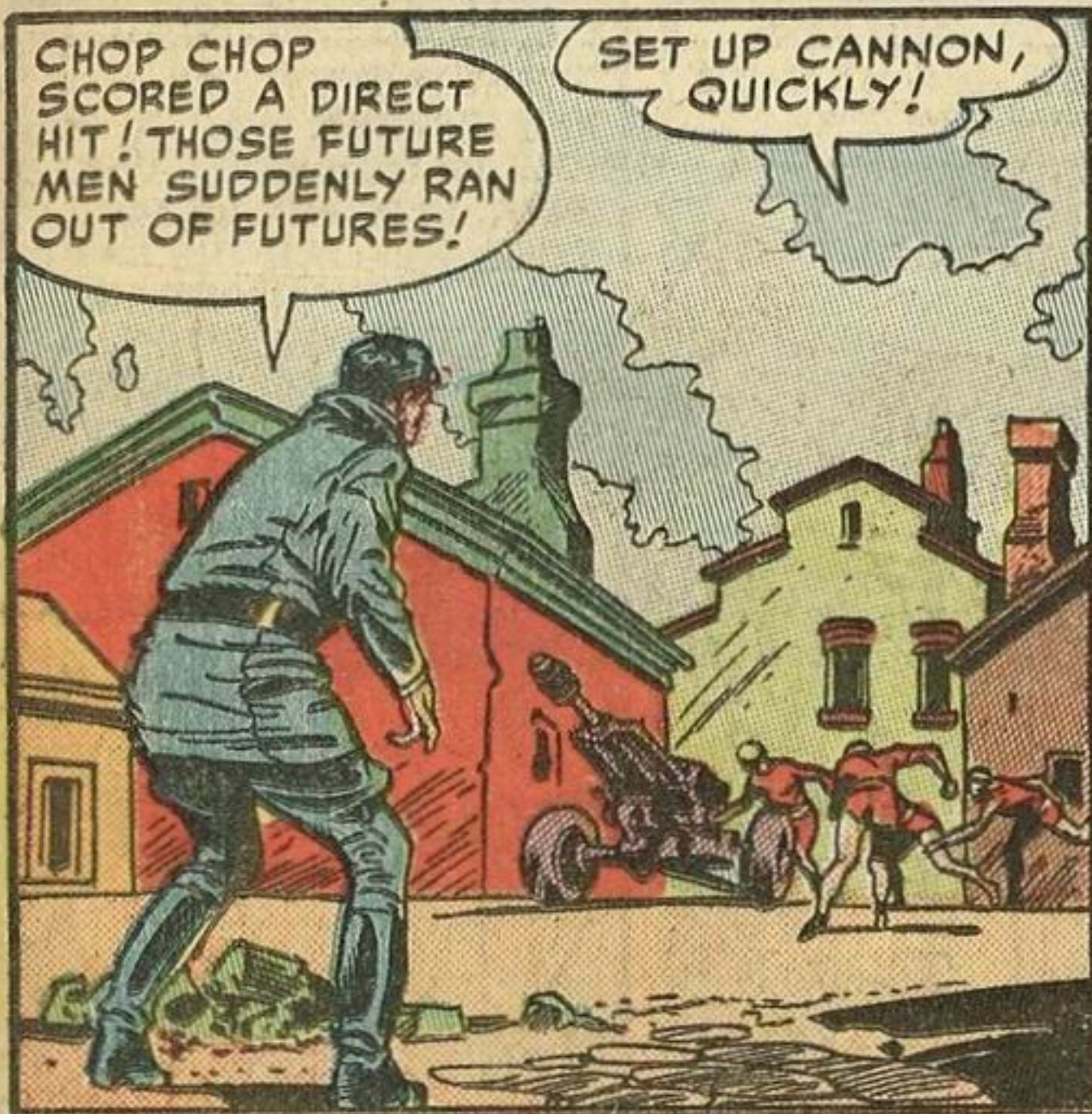
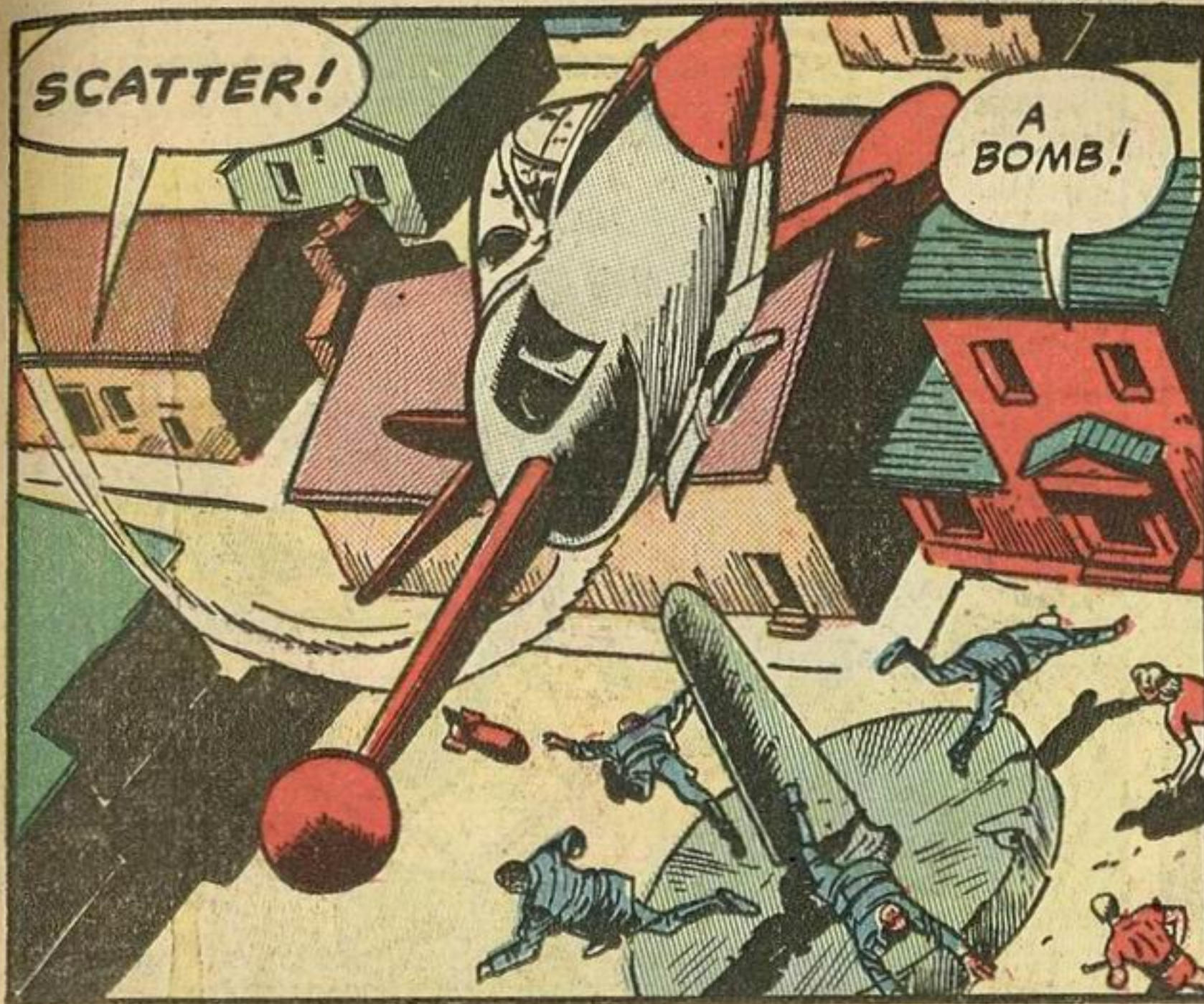
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FUTURE PEOPLE

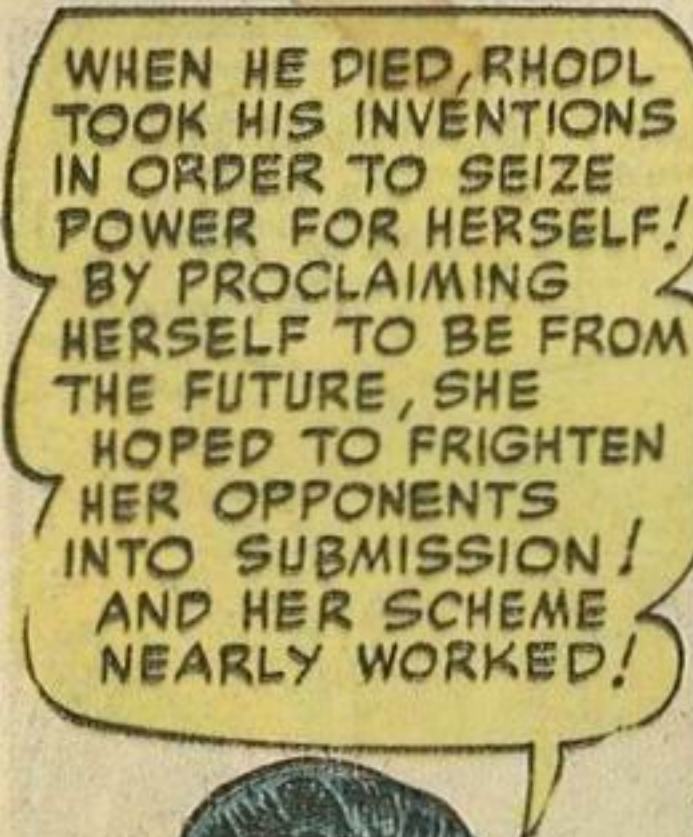
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MAY GET ANOTHER
CHANCE TO FIND
OUT!



HERE COMES
CHOP CHOP!

OVEL LAND, OVEL SEA
ME FIGHT TO KEEP MEN
FLEE
ME BLACKHAWK!







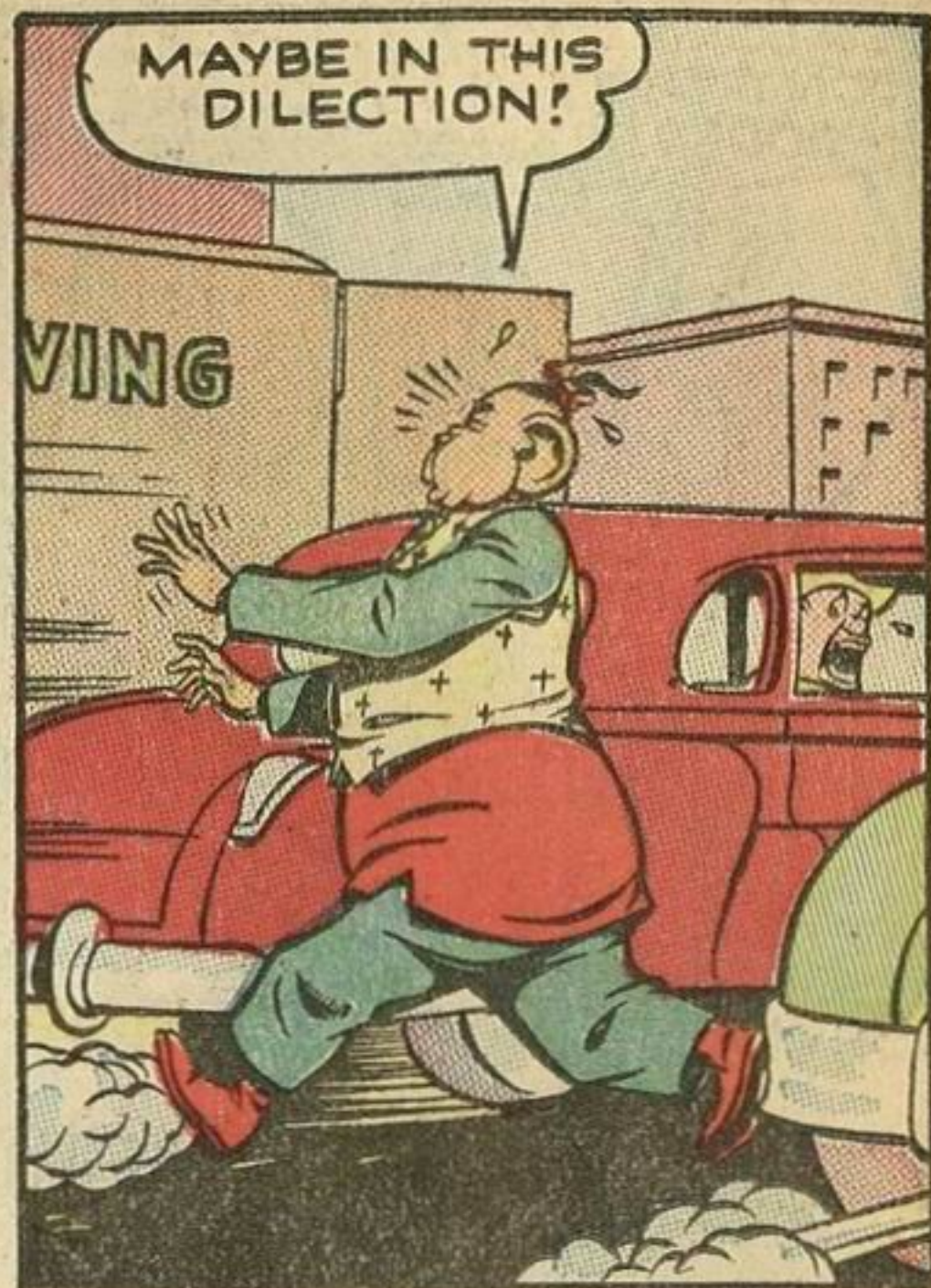
OKAY! ME SAY ME SOLLY...
WHY YOU NO ANSWER?
WHERE ME FIND
DLUGGIST?



OOPS! YOU ONLY LAMP
POST! OH, WOE!
MOST EMBALLASING!



MAYBE IN THIS
DILECTION!



MY! MY! WHAT
A VELLY WINDY
DAY!



VELLY UNFORTUNATE!
MUST FIND DLUGGIST
STORE TO TAKE OUT
CINDERS IN EYES!



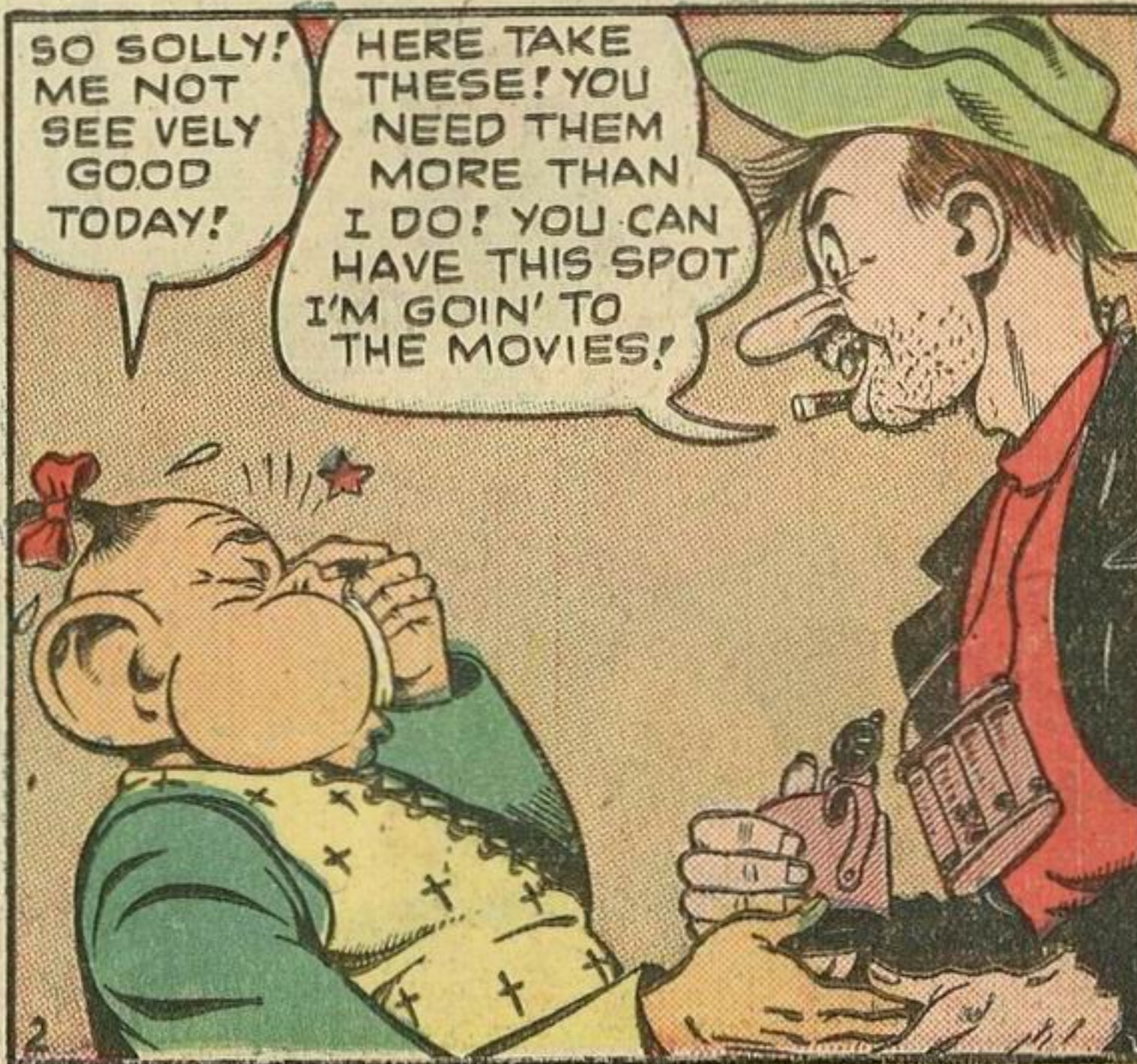
HEY! WATCH
WHERE
YOU'RE
GOING!

OOPS!



SO SOLLY!
ME NOT
SEE VELY
GOOD
TODAY!

HERE TAKE
THESE! YOU
NEED THEM
MORE THAN
I DO! YOU CAN
HAVE THIS SPOT
I'M GOIN' TO
THE MOVIES!









BLACKHAWK

AND THE WEIRD INVADERS from INFERNO!

ACROSS A HUNDRED MILES OF UNKNOWN SWAMPLAND THE GREAT TUNNEL WAS TO BE BUILT! BUT THERE WAS GREATER DANGER THAN ANYTHING NATURE COULD PROVIDE! FOR THE MYSTERIOUS MATTO LARGO SWAMP COUNTRY WAS THE DOMAIN OF THE **INFERNO MEN**... WEIRD AND SINISTER CREATURES AGAINST WHOSE EERIE POWERS EVEN THE MIGHTY **BLACKHAWKS** WERE HELPLESS!

THE BLACKHAWKS ARE PRESENT AT THE OPENING OF THE MOST DIFFICULT ENGINEERING FEAT OF MODERN TIMES...

I NEVER BELIEVED YOU'D FINISH THE TUNNEL ON SCHEDULE, JOHN WITHERS!

MY CHIEF PROBLEM WAS GETTING WORKERS FOR THE PROJECT, BLACKHAWK! AS YOU KNOW, THE TUNNEL RUNS BENEATH A HUNDRED MILES OF THE MATTO LARGO SWAMPLAND!

GALA OPENING OF TUNNEL
LINKING BLAZOS AND PEROTIA

NATIVES AROUND HERE BELIEVE THE MATTO LARGO TO BE THE LAND BENEATH WHICH LIES THE INFERNO OF MEDIEVAL LEGEND! THEY CLAIM CREATURES FROM THE INFERNO STILL ROAM IN THE UNEXPLORED INTERIOR!

IGNORANCE AND SUPERSTITION ARE ALWAYS DANGEROUS ENEMIES, WITHERS!

I AGREE WITH YOU, BLACKHAWK! I AM MADAME MAINOT, AMBASSADRESS FROM PEROTIA! SINCE THIS GREAT TUNNEL WILL UNITE MY COUNTRY WITH ITS NEIGHBOR, BRAZOS, I CONSIDER IT A GREAT STEP TOWARD PROGRESS AND PEACE!

I'M SURE EVERYONE AGREES WITH YOU, MADAME MAINOT!



CAN'T WE GO WITH YOU ON THE FIRST TEST RUN THROUGH THE TUNNEL, WITHERS?

NO SENSE RISKING MORE THAN ONE LIFE, BLACKHAWK! IF THE TUNNEL ISN'T SAFE, I'M THE ONE WHO SHOULD PAY THE PENALTY! AFTER ALL, I BUILT IT!



DAS BAN A GREAT DAY FOR JOHN WITHERS, BY YIMINY!

LET'S WATCH HIS PROGRESS ON THE INDICATOR BOARD!



MOMENTS LATER...

THERE'S AN ELABORATE SERIES OF PHOTO-ELECTRIC CELLS THAT SET OFF A TRIGGER SIGNAL AT THE FIRST SIGN OF TROUBLE ANYWHERE INSIDE THE TUNNEL!

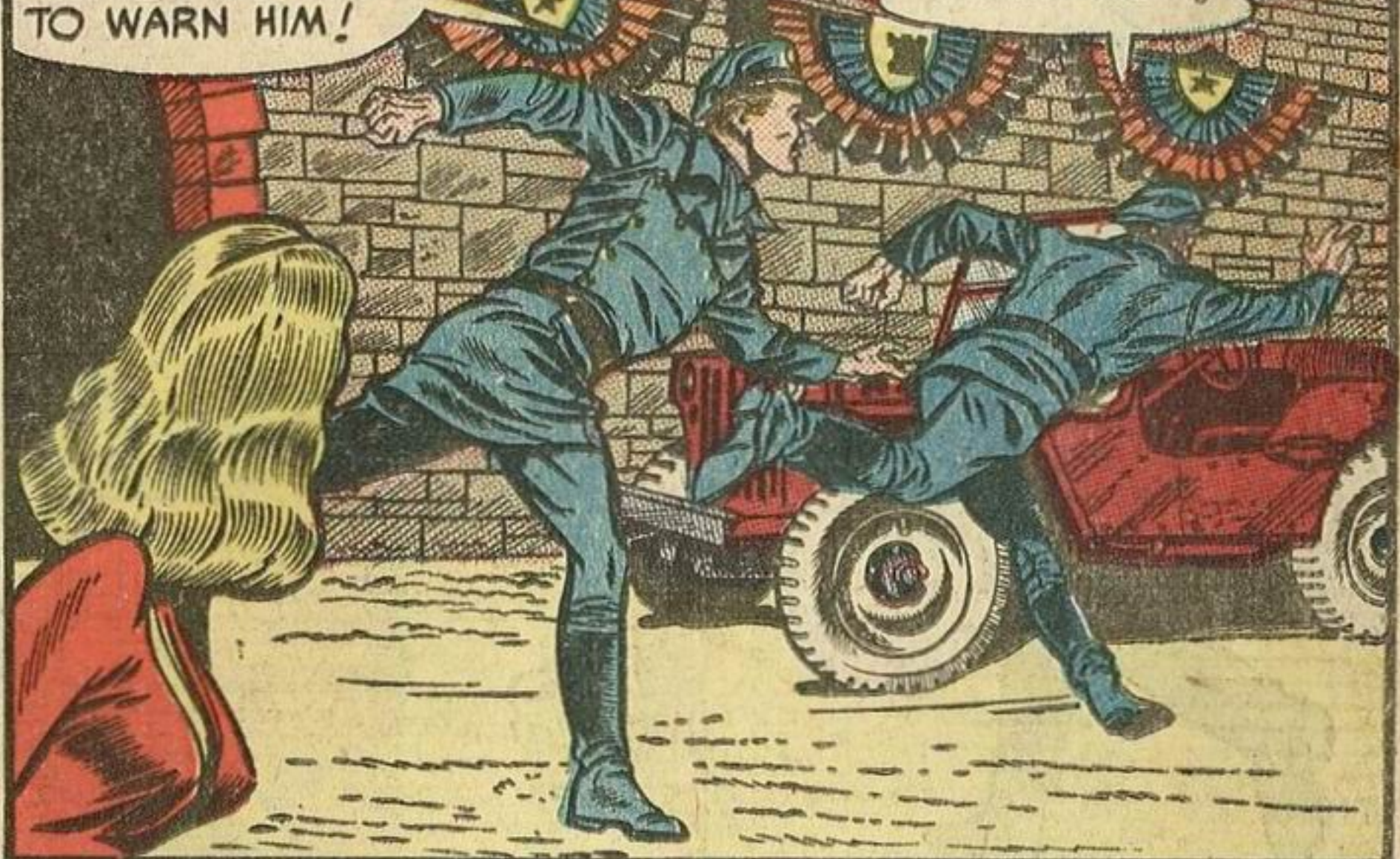
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SAPRISTI! ZE WARNING LEEES FLASHING FROM SECTION 5!



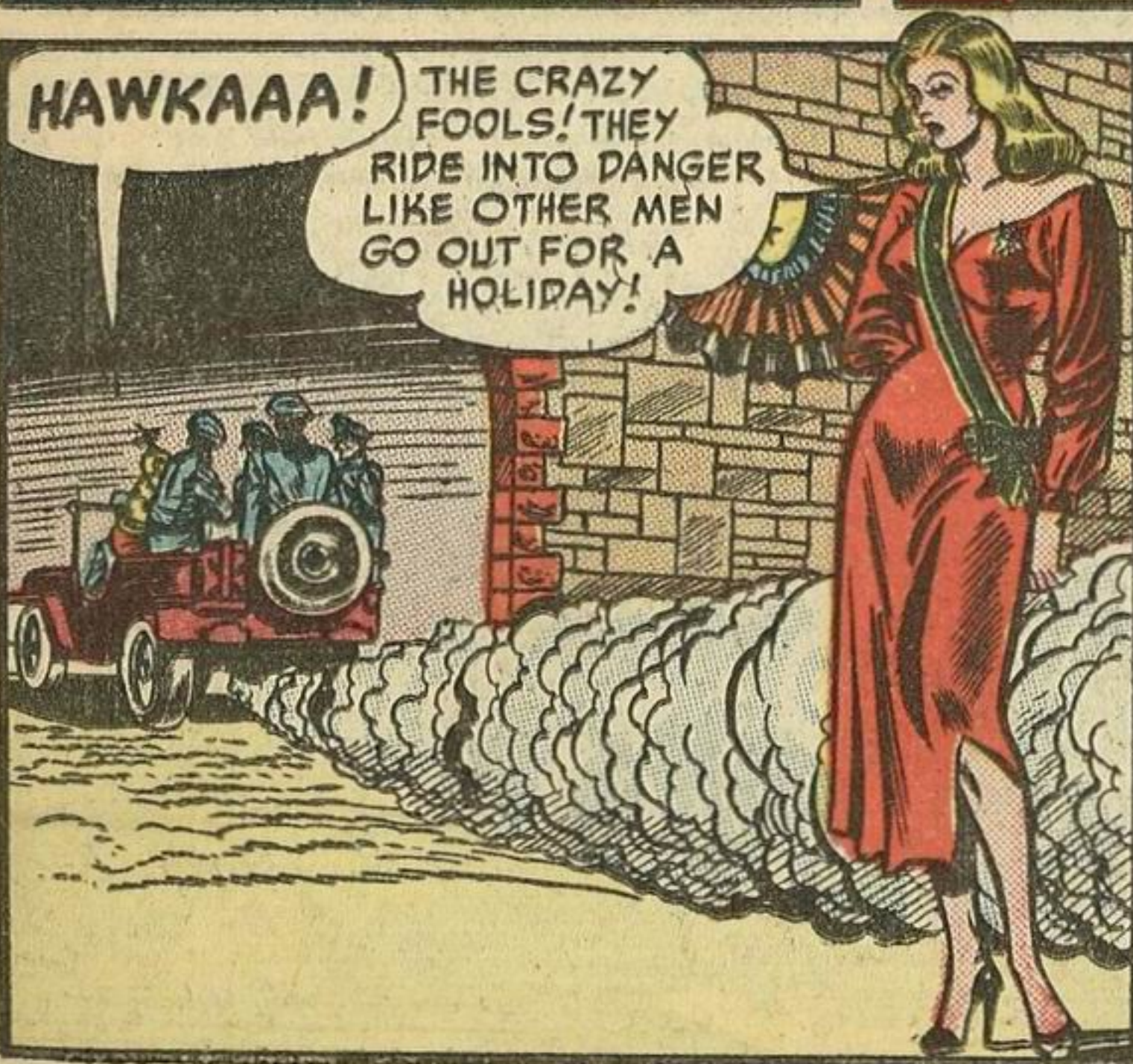
WITHERS IS RIDING STRAIGHT INTO TROUBLE! AND THERE'S NO WAY TO WARN HIM!

LET'S GO, GANG! WHATEVER'S HAPPENING DOWN THERE WILL NEED OUR PERSONAL ATTENTION!



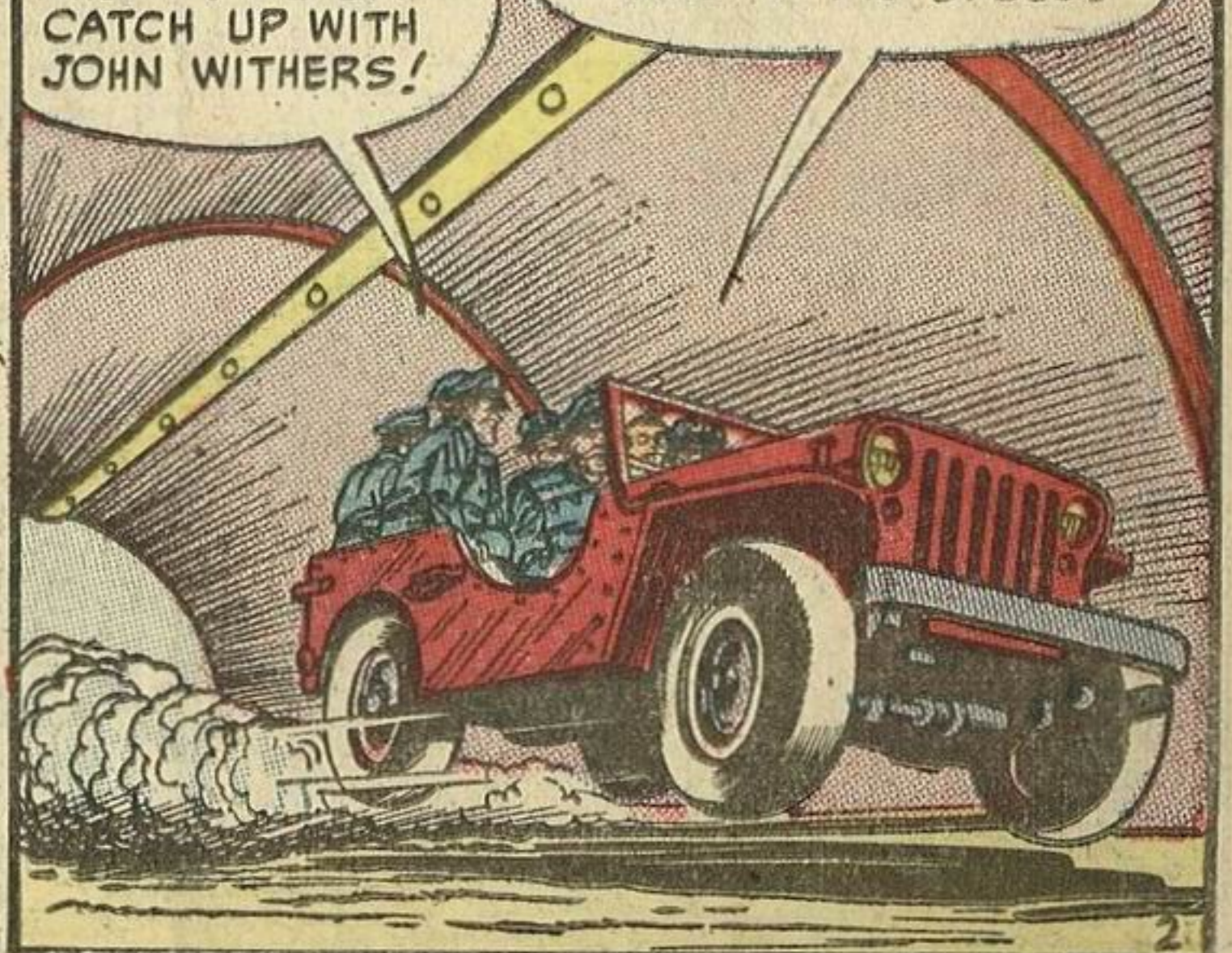
HAWKAAA!

THE CRAZY FOOLS! THEY RIDE INTO DANGER LIKE OTHER MEN GO OUT FOR A HOLIDAY!



AY BAN THINK AY HEAR MOTOR AHEAD! WE BAN CATCH UP WITH JOHN WITHERS!

HALT'S MAUL! VE COULD CATCH UP MIT A JET PLANE AT DIS SPEED!





LOOK!

IT'S JOHN WITHERS! HE-HE'S BEING ATTACKED BY SOME KIND OF MONSTERS!



THEY BROKE INTO THE TUNNEL FROM THE SWAMP! LET'S SEND THEM BACK WHERE THEY CAME FROM!



EEYOW! I NEARLY BROKE MY FIST ON HIS JAW!

IMPUDENT MORTAL!

CLANK!



THIS WILL TEACH YOU TO INTERFERE WITH US!

GOP!



HEY!



FIGHTING VALIANTLY AGAINST DESPERATE ODDS, THE BLACKHAWKS ARE FINALLY VANQUISHED...

BACK TO THE SWAMP! THE TUNNEL IS ALREADY CHOKING UP WITH MUD AND OOZE! LET THEM PERISH HERE... ALONE!

INSIDIOUSLY, THE SWAMP MUD SEEPS INTO THE TUNNEL...

GOOD GLORY! WE'LL BE **BURIED ALIVE!**

I GOT OUT IN TIME! A LUCKY THING FOR HENDRICKSON THAT I DID! THAT MUCK HAD NEARLY COVERED HIM ENTIRELY!

BY GAR! DAS BAN SOME WALLOP I GOT! UH-OH! AY BETTER LEND BLACKHAWK A HAND!

SOON...

ALL PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR! BUT THE SWAMP OOZE IS STILL POURING INTO THE TUNNEL! WE CAN'T STOP IT!

I GUARDED AGAINST SUCH A DISASTER, BLACKHAWK! EACH TUNNEL SECTION HAS SELF-SEALING DEVICES, LIKE A SUBMARINE!

WE'RE OUT OF DANGER NOW! I CAN THROW A SWITCH AND SHUT OFF THE FLOODED COMPARTMENT!

WE'RE SAFE NOW! LATER, THE FLOODED SECTION CAN BE REPLACED!

BUT THAT WON'T SOLVE THE MAIN PROBLEM! THOSE SAME CREATURES WE BATTLED WITH MAY RETURN TO WRECK THE TUNNEL AGAIN! WHO WERE THEY? WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?

The FOLLOWING DAY...

THE WORKERS ARE ALREADY REPLACING THE FLOODED SECTION, BLACKHAWK!

WE'LL TOUR THE SWAMP AREA NEARBY JUST TO MAKE SURE NOTHING ELSE GOES WRONG! IF THE INFERNO MEN SHOW UP, WE'LL BE READY FOR THEM!

THE BLACKHAWKS ARE BRAVE MEN! BUT I'M AFRAID THEY'RE GOING TO CHALLENGE A POWER GREATER THAN THEY KNOW!

THEN YOU BELIEVE IN THESE FANTASTIC INVADERS FROM THE INFERNO!



I HAVE NO CHOICE, MADAME MAINOT! I **SAW** THEM---AND THAT IS AN EXPERIENCE I SHALL NEVER FORGET! THEY WERE NOT CREATURES OF THIS WORLD!

PERHAPS THE NATIVES ARE RIGHT! PERHAPS THE INFERNO OF LEGEND **DOES** LIE SOMEWHERE BENEATH THE MATTO LARGO!

MEANWHILE, ACROSS THE INCREDIBLE WASTELAND OF THE MATTO LARGO, THE INTREPID BLACKHAWKS PURSUE THEIR COURSE!

MON DIEU! EET WOULD NOT BE VEREE DIFFICULT TO GET LOST IN HERE, MES AMIS!

I'M KEEPING A COMPASS BEARING ON OUR LOCATION! ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS, THE TUNNEL PASSES ALMOST DIRECTLY BENEATH US!



IF THE INFERNO MEN ARE GOING TO ATTACK, THIS SHOULD BE THE PLACE WHERE---

BLACK-HAWK! LOOK! A **WATER SPOUT!**



HEAD FOR IT! THAT CAN ONLY MEAN PART OF THE TUNNEL BELOW IT HAS COLLAPSED! THE RESULTING RUSH OF AIR PRESSURE CAUSED THE SPOUT!



HELLO! CAN YOU HEAR ME, HENDRICKSON? WE'RE CIRCLING NEAR THE SPOT WHERE THE INFERNO MEN MAY HAVE ATTACKED! OVER!

JA! I HEAR YOU, BLACK-HAWK!

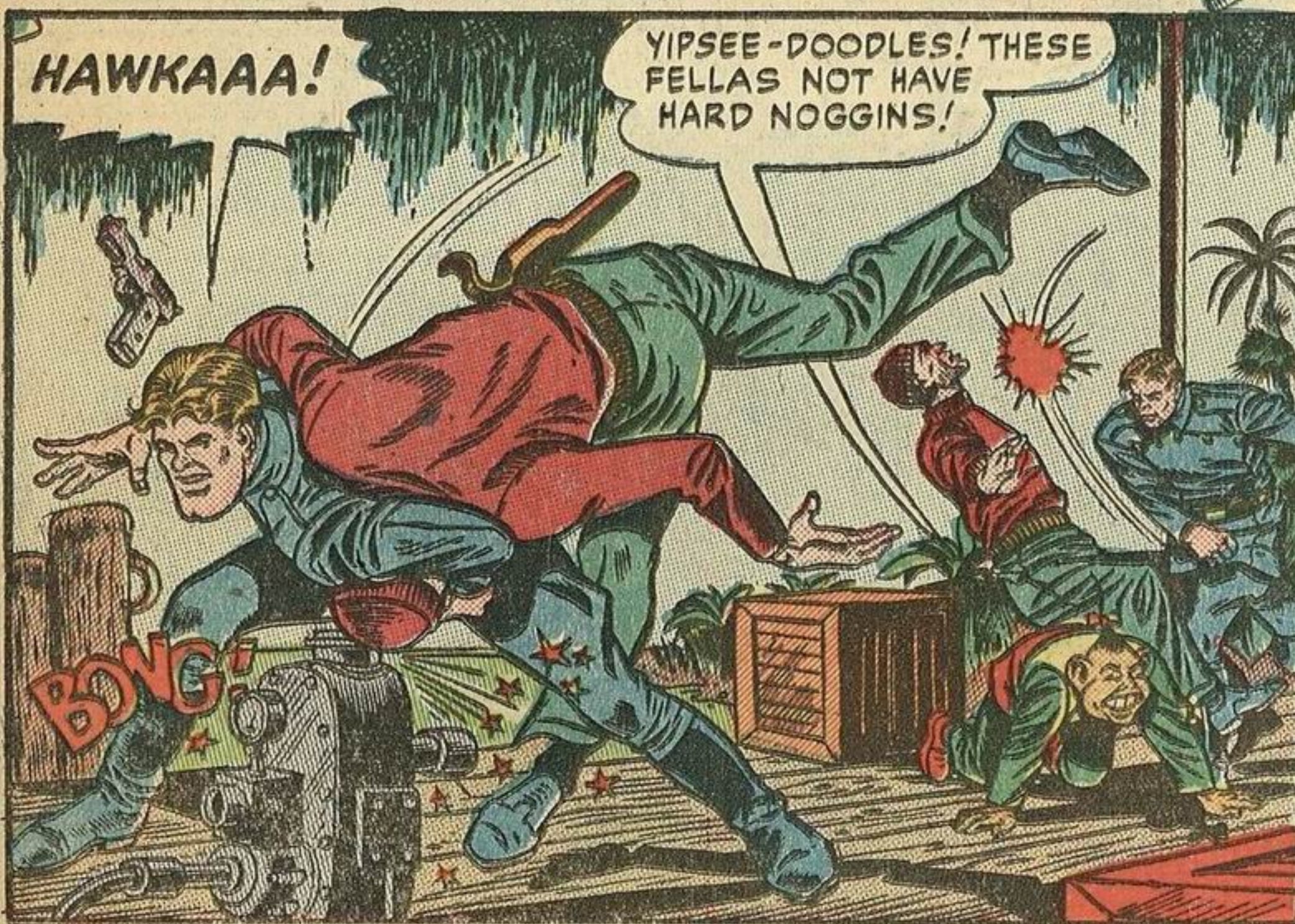


And IN A PLANE OVERHEAD---

I THINK I SEE SOMEDING TOO! IN DER CLUSTER OF ISLAND SOUTH BY WEST FROM YOUR BOAT! I T'INK YOU BETTER TAKE A LOOK!



HENDRICKSON'S RIGHT! IT'S SOME KIND OF A LOADING PLATFORM! CAREFULLY CAMOUFLAGED, TOO!



UP FROM THE SLIMY DEPTHS EMERGE THE GROTESQUE INFERNO MEN...



WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW?
WITHOUT THAT HEAD, YOU
LOOK **ALMOST**
HUMAN!

BLACKHAWK
GLUHGGG!

TIENS! I WONDER
HOW FAR I CAN
PUSH ZE HEAD
DOWN INTO ZE
SUITS!

D-DON'T! I
SURRENDER!

ME TLY OUT CLEAVER
ON YOU NOW, HEY?

N-NO,
PLEASE!

MY MAN
JUMPED!

TOO LATE TO GET HIM
BACK NOW, STANISLAUS!
HE SANK LIKE A STONE!
AND WITHOUT HIS HEAD-
PIECE, HE'S DONE FOR!

I GUESS
THAT
ENDS IT,
EH, BLACK-
HAWK?

NOT QUITE! WE'VE STILL GOT TO
FIND OUT **WHY** THESE THUGS
WENT TO SUCH PAINS TO WRECK THE
TUNNEL THROUGH THE SWAMP!

I-I'LL TALK! I'LL TELL
EVERYTHING, BLACK-
HAWK!

A SHORT WHILE LATER...

THE NATIVE WORKERS HAVE ALL
DESERTED! I CAN'T BLAME THEM,
IN A WAY! WHEN WORD REACHED
US OF THE LATEST TUNNEL
COLLAPSE THEY FIGURED IT
WAS HOPELESS TO RESIST
THE INFERNO MEN!

I'M
SORRY
THIS SPELLS
FAILURE FOR YOU,
MR. WITHERS!

YOUR GREAT
PROJECT WOULD
HAVE HELPED TO
UNITE THE
PEOPLES OF
BRAZOS AND
PEROTIA! IT
WOULD HAVE
FORGED AN UN-
BREAKABLE
LINK OF FRIEND-
SHIP BETWEEN US!

AND
THAT'S
JUST
WHAT
YOU
DIDN'T
WANT!



BLACKHAWK! I D-DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN!

YOU CAN STOP LYING, MADAME MAINOT! YOUR AGENTS HAVE ALREADY CONFESSED EVERYTHING! **YOU** ARE THE SECRET HEAD OF THE WAR PARTY IN PEROTIA...



YOU AND YOUR FELLOW CONSPIRATORS IN THE PEROTIAN GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DRUM UP A WAR AGAINST BRAZOS! AS AMBASSADRESS, YOU'VE DONE YOUR BEST TO STIR UP DISSENSION AND MISTRUST BETWEEN BOTH COUNTRIES!



WITHERS' TUNNEL PROJECT WOULD HAVE UNDONE MUCH OF YOUR EVIL WORK! IT WOULD HAVE ESTABLISHED A NEW AVENUE FOR FRIENDLY TRADE, AND ENABLED THE PEOPLE TO GET TO KNOW AND LIKE EACH OTHER!

HOW CAN YOU ACCUSE ME OF SUCH A THING?



SUDDENLY!

BUT I SUPPOSE THERE'S NO USE DENYING IT! YOU'VE CAPTURED MY AGENTS! BUT YOU'LL NEVER CAPTURE ME!

NOM DE NOM! SHE HAS A GUN!



LET'S SAY MERELY THAT SHE **HAD** A GUN!

OHHH!



SACRE BLEU! WHO WOULD 'AVE THOUGHT SUCH A LOVELY LADY COULD POSSESS SUCH UGLY THOUGHTS!

YOU'RE AN INCURABLE ROMANTIC, ANDRE! I THINK THE GOVERNMENT OF PEROTIA WILL KNOW HOW TO DEAL REALISTICALLY WITH... TREASON!



SOMETIME LATER, AS THE GREAT TUNNEL IS COMPLETED...

TRAFFIC HAS ALREADY STARTED MOVING BACK AND FORTH! THAT'S THE BEST AUGURY FOR PEACE!

AY BAN THINK SO TOO, BLACKHAWK!



THOUGH INFERNO SPAWS OUR FOES WE WILL TWEAK THEM BY THE NOSE! **WE'RE BLACKHAWKS!**

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OF IRAN'S OIL FIELDS... PETE TRASK, TREASURY
AGENT, FINDS HIMSELF RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE
OF A BREWING CAULDRON!

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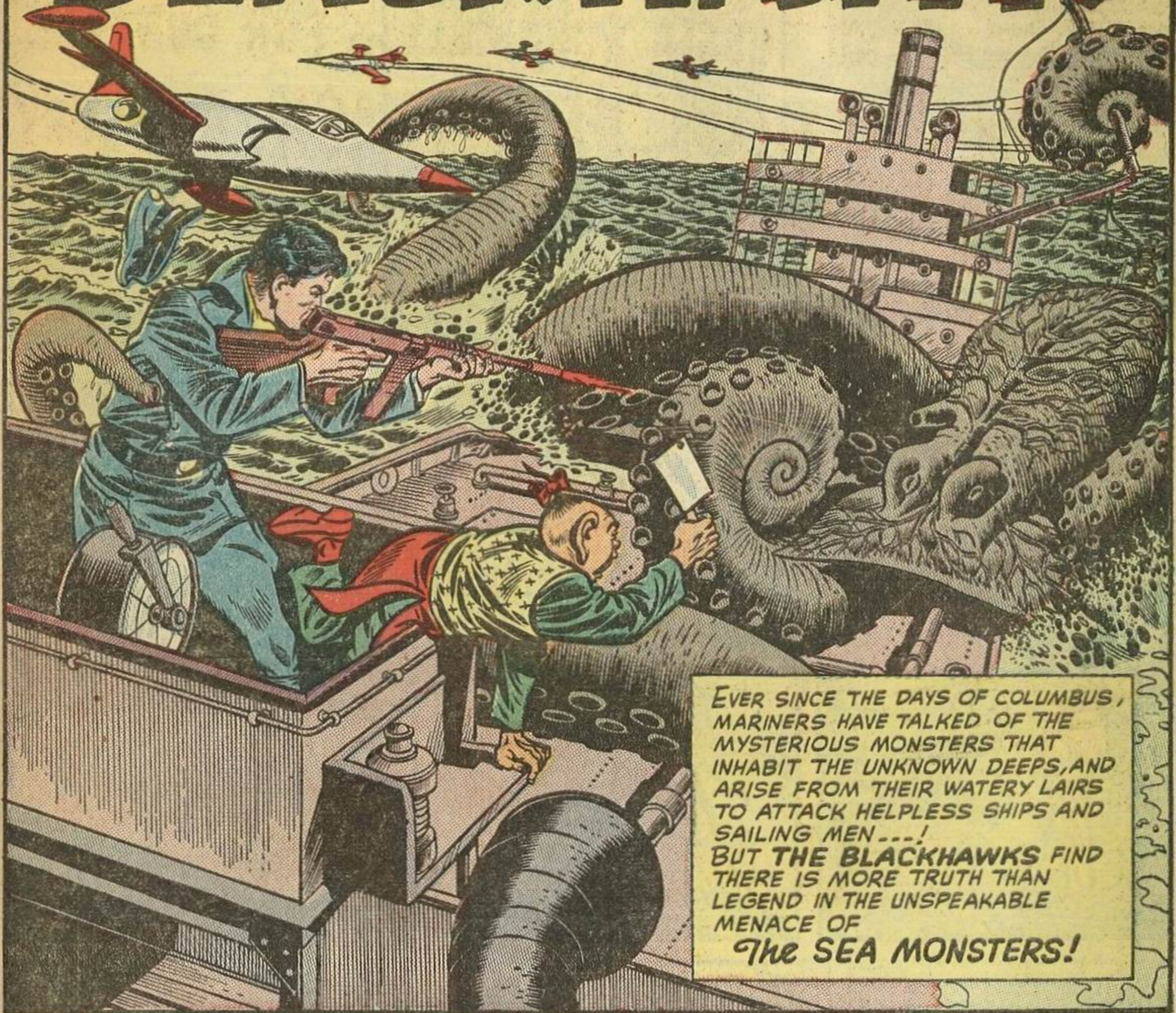
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BLACKHAWK



EVER SINCE THE DAYS OF COLUMBUS, MARINERS HAVE TALKED OF THE MYSTERIOUS MONSTERS THAT INHABIT THE UNKNOWN DEEPS, AND ARISE FROM THEIR WATERY LAIRS TO ATTACK HELPLESS SHIPS AND SAILING MEN...! BUT THE BLACKHAWKS FIND THERE IS MORE TRUTH THAN LEGEND IN THE UNSPEAKABLE MENACE OF *The SEA MONSTERS!*

ON LUBOS ISLAND ARE THE FAMED MARINE LABORATORIES OF PROFESSOR ANDREW JENSEN!

IS...IS IT DEAD, JENSEN?

QUITE DEAD, DUKAS!



YOU SEE, DUKAS, THE TREMENDOUS SIZE OF THE SPECIMEN MAKES IT EXTREMELY SHORT-LIVED! THIS SEA HORSE, FOR EXAMPLE, LIVED SOMEWHAT LESS THAN TWENTY FOUR HOURS!

BUT IT MUST HAVE GROWN TO A HUNDRED TIMES ITS NORMAL SIZE!





YES...MY EXPERIMENTS ARE COMPLETE! MY CONCENTRATED FOOD-FORMULA FOR MARINE LIFE PROVED THAT IT CAN BREED A SPECIES OF FISH HITHERTO UNKNOWN!

WHAT NOW, PROFESSOR?



I SHALL REPORT MY DISCOVERIES TO THE ACADEMY! PERHAPS THEY WILL EVEN ELECT ME A MEMBER!

PROFESSOR JENSEN IS A FOOL! ALL HE WANTS IS A MEANINGLESS HONOR FROM SOME STUFFY SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY!



I KNOW A MORE PROFITABLE WAY TO USE PROFESSOR JENSEN'S DISCOVERY! HIS GENIUS WILL MAKE ME RICH! BUT FIRST I MUST DISPOSE OF HIM... FOREVER!



SEVERAL WEEKS LATER---

THE HIGH SEA WALL IS FINISHED! NOW THE HARBOR WILL BE A BREEDING GROUND FOR MY GIANT SPECIES!



I SHALL WRITE THE ACADEMY TONIGHT! THEY CAN SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO EXAMINE THE EXPERIMENTAL SPECIES THAT ARE HERE IN THE HARBOR!

I'M SORRY, PROFESSOR!



BUT YOU AND I ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO KNOW ABOUT YOUR EXPERIMENTS! AND I DON'T INTEND TO SHARE THE SECRET!

YIIIIII!



JENSEN IS DEAD! NOW I CAN GO AHEAD WITH MY PLAN! I WILL BE THE WEALTHIEST MAN ON THESE ISLANDS!

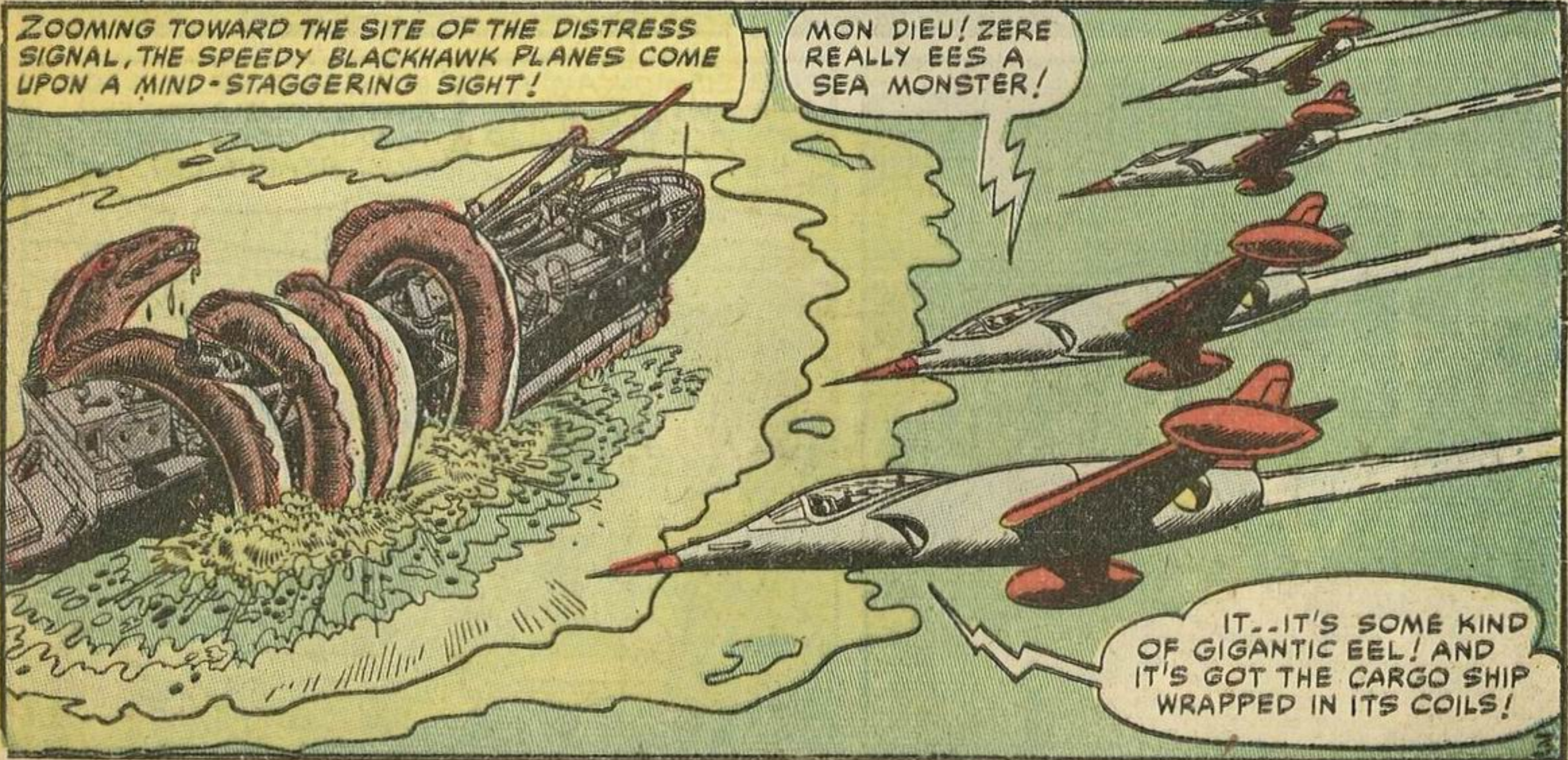


SOME TIME LATER---

YOU SAY THAT TWO OF YOUR CARGO SHIPS HAVE MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED! NONE OF THE CREW SURVIVED?

NOT A SINGLE MAN, BLACKHAWK! BUT THAT ISN'T THE CHIEF REASON I ASKED FOR YOUR HELP!

BLACKHAWK





WE CAN'T STRAFE IT WITHOUT RISKING THE LIVES OF THE MEN ABOARD THE SHIP! LOWER PONTOONS! WE'LL LAND NEARBY!



MOMENTS LATER... THAT OVER-GROWN HUNK OF SAUSAGE MUST HAVE FELT OUR BULLETS! HE'S LOOKING TOWARD US!



PY YUMPIN' YIMINY! I BAN THINK WE MADE HIM MAD!

ME CARVE HIM UP FLO DINNER!



SUDDENLY A VICIOUS COIL SNAKES OUT, AND...

EEEEYOW! IS BIG MISTAKE! HE HAS CHOP CHOP FLO MEAL INSTEAD!

NOT IF WE CAN HELP IT!



IF I CAN ONLY LOOSEN ITS GRIP!

HULLY, PLEASE! HUMBLE PERSON FEELS APPROACH OF UNCONSCIOUSNESS!

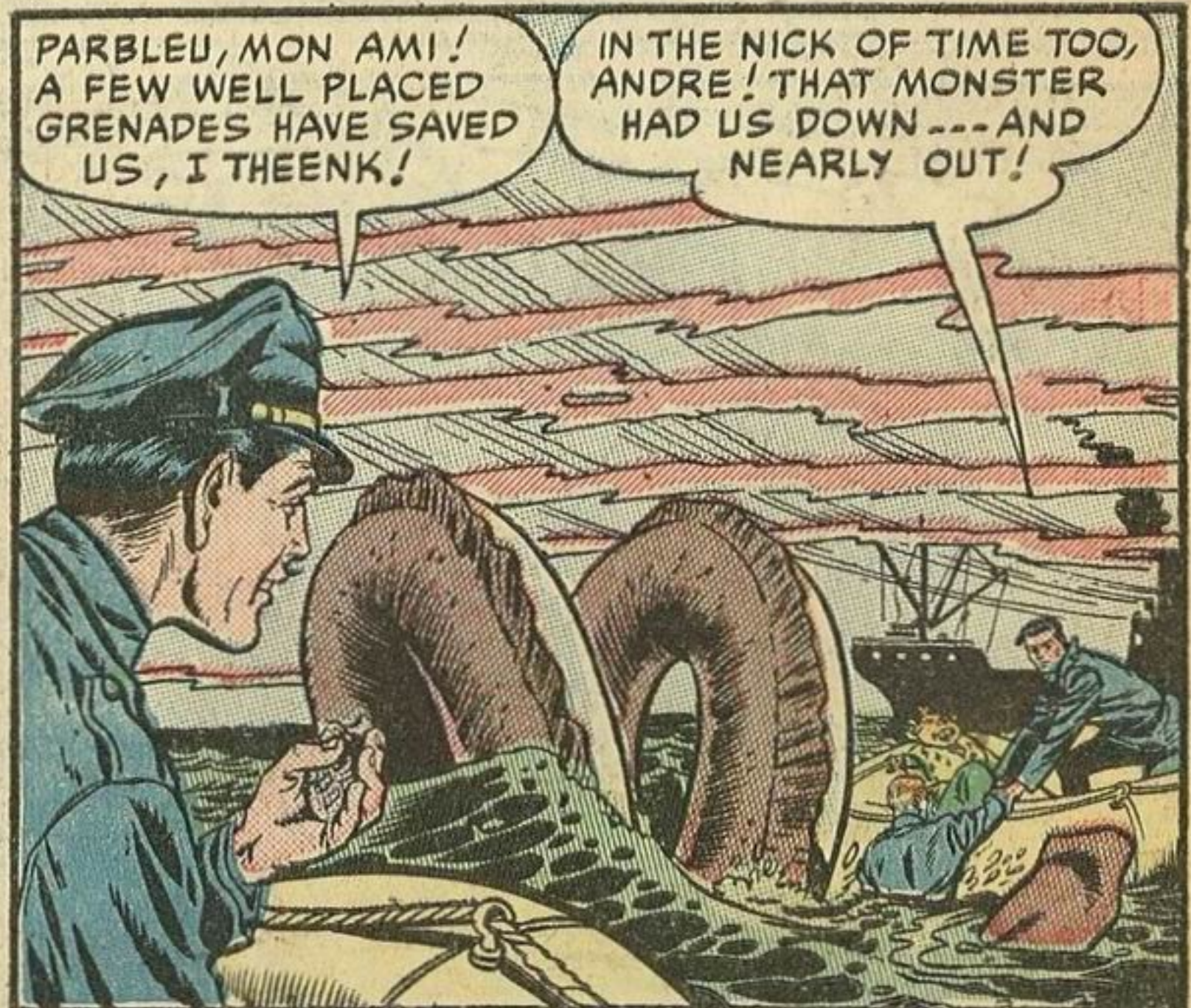
WHOP!

UHHH?



CHOP CHOP BLACKED OUT! AND THE BLASTED EEL HAS GOT ME!

BOOM
BOOM



PARBLEU, MON AMI! A FEW WELL PLACED GRENADES HAVE SAVED US, I THEENK!

IN THE NICK OF TIME TOO, ANDRE! THAT MONSTER HAD US DOWN...AND NEARLY OUT!

LATER, ABOARD THE CRIPPLED CARGO VESSEL...

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NOW WE'VE AN IDEA OF WHAT MAY HAVE HAPPENED TO THOSE OTHER MISSING SHIPS!



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SOON...

THERE'S THE ISLAND!

BUT WHY IS DER HARBOR BLOCKED OFF MIT A SEA WALL?



WE'LL FIND OUT THE ANSWER TO THAT AS SOON AS WE...
EEEEYOW!



DID YOU SEE WHAT I SAW? A FLYING FISH AS BIG AS A WHALE!

SACRE NOM! I SAW EET... BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE EET!



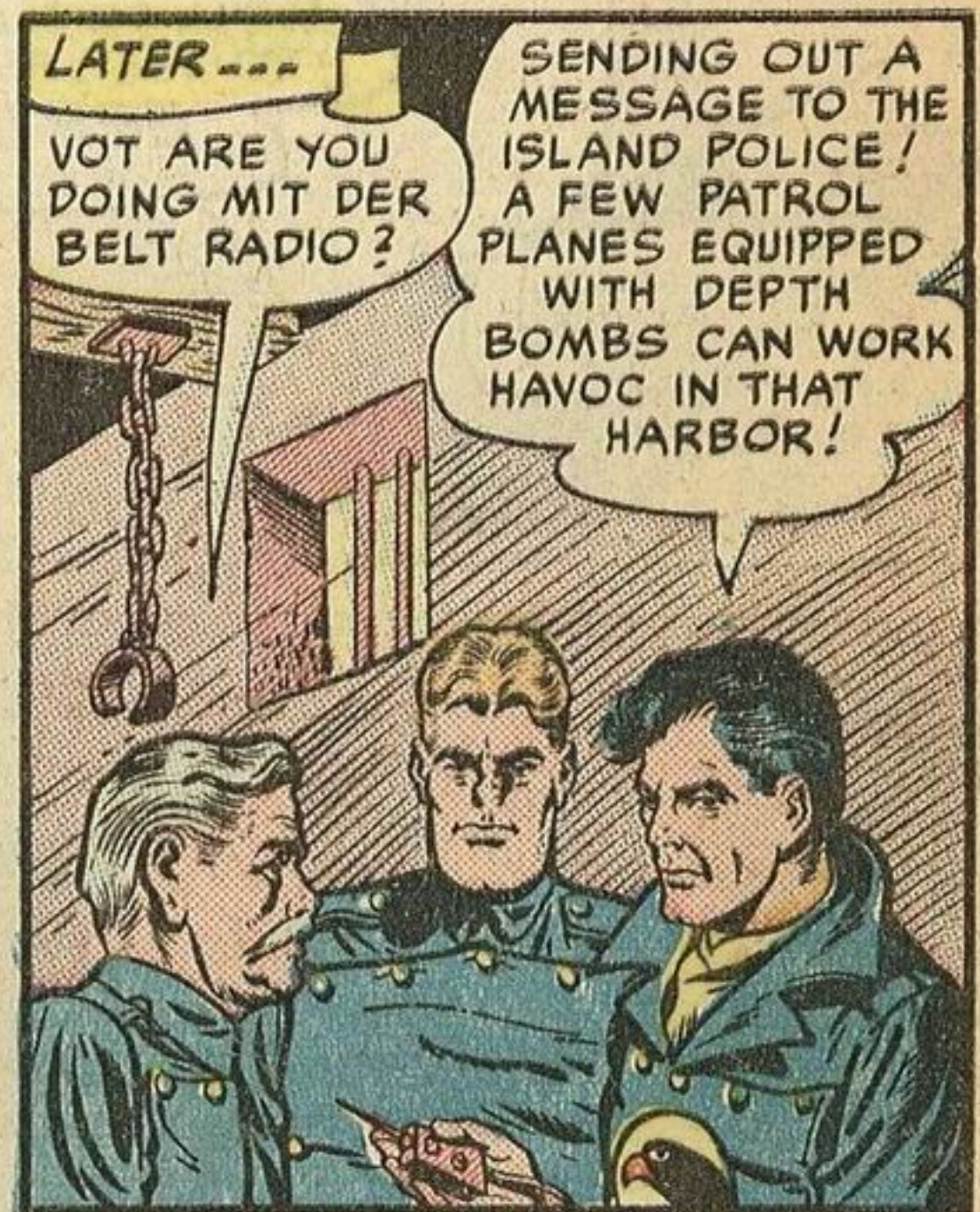
WELL, I DO! WE'VE FOUND THE HIDING PLACE OF THE SEA MONSTERS! RETRACT PONTOONS, AND USE WHEELS FOR A LANDING ON THE ISLAND ITSELF!



THOSE MEN ARE TRESPASSERS HERE! SEIZE THEM!

SEEMS WE'RE ABOUT TO MEET WITH AN UNFRIENDLY RECEPTION!







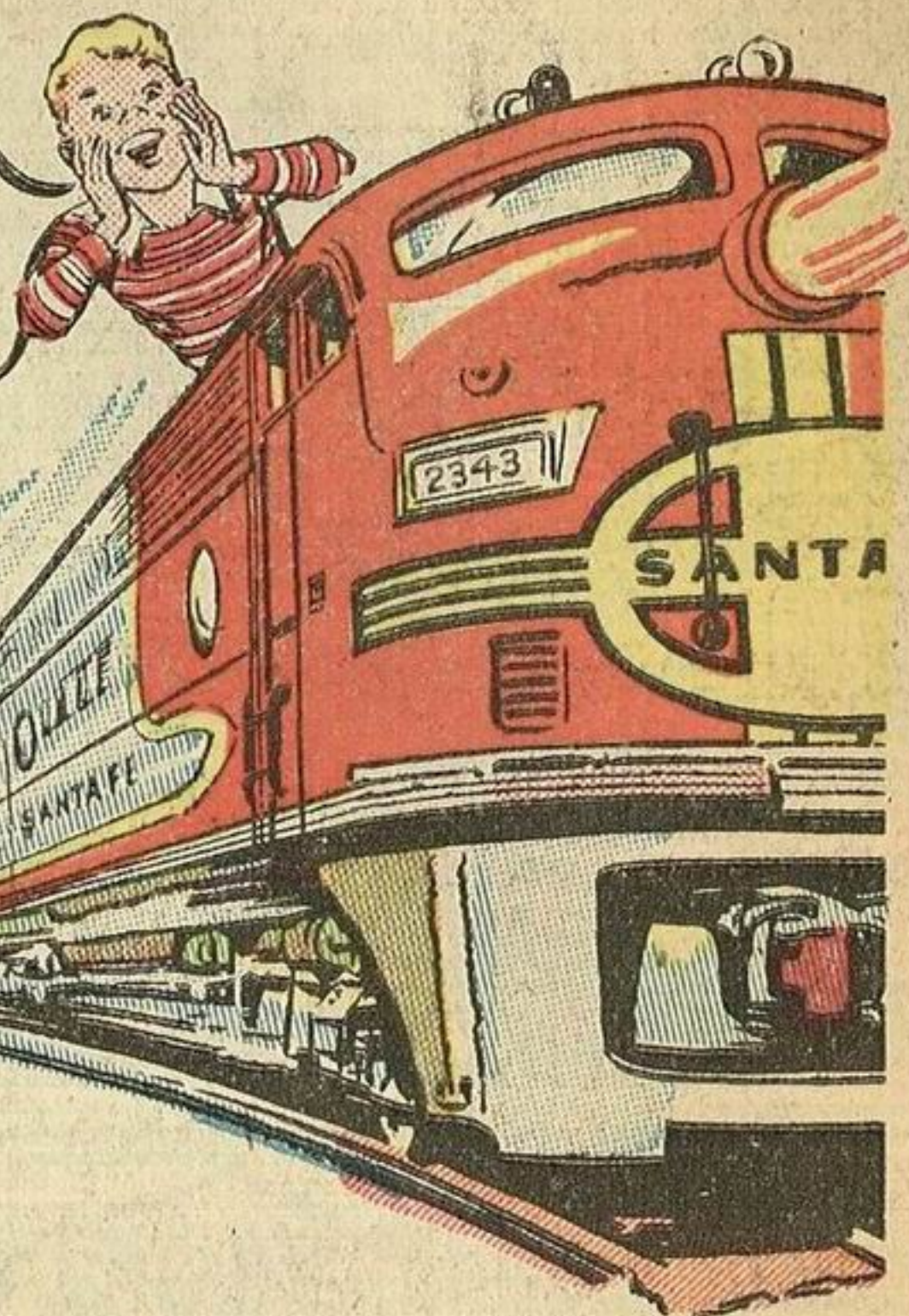
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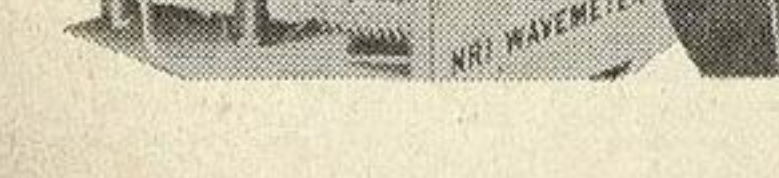
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